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(54) Title: RECOMBINANT IMMUNOTOXIN AND USE IN TREATING TUMORS

(57) Abstract: Immunotoxins are disclosed that include a toxin, a variable region of a heavy chain of a monoclonal antibody that binds the antigen specifically bound by monoclonal antibody 8H9, and a variable region of a light chain of the monoclonal antibody that binds the antigen specifically bound by monoclonal antibody 8H9 and effector molecule. These immunotoxins include scFv and dsFv of monoclonal antibody 8H9. The immunotoxins are of use for the treatment of tumors.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	MODAK, S., et al. Monoclonal antibody 8H9 targets a novel cell surface antigen expressed by a wide spectrum of human solid tumors. <i>Cancer Research</i> . 15 May 2001, Vol. 61, pages 4048-4054, see entire document, especially page 4049, left column, page 4050 and 4052, right column.	1, 9, 21. -----
Y	US 5,608,039 A (PASTAN et al) 04 March 1997 (04.03.1997), see columns 3, 9-11 and 19-20.	2-3, 5, 22-37.
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X	JUHL H. et al. Additive cytotoxicity of different monoclonal antibody-cobra venom factor conjugates for human neuroblastoma cells. <i>Immunobiology</i> . 1997, Vol. 197, pages 444-459. See entire document, especially page 447, Figures 4-6 and pages 455-456.	1, 9, 21, 24-25, 31. -----
Y	US 2003/0103963 A1 (CHEUNG) 05 June 2003 (05.06.2003), see entire document, especially page 5, left column, and Figures 33-34.	2-3, 5, 22-37.
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The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.

No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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Continuation of B. FIELDS SEARCHED Item 3:

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